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I. IDENTIFICATION DATA:

Reference is made to Enclosure 1, this report, Overlay on GSGS 4416, Scale 1:100,000, Sheet V-9, Česke Budejovice, 50X1 identified:

1. Česke Budejovice.
2. Highway, asphalt, eight meters wide; led from Česke Budejovice south and west.
3. Forest, 15 to 20 m. high coniferous trees, on north and west side of the airfield.
4. Airfield.

II. SITE LAYOUT (Partial)

Reference is made to Enclosure 2, this report, Memory Sketch of the Military Airfield in Česke Budejovice, on which 50X1 identified:

1. Barrack, wooden, 35 x 12 x 3.5 m., tar-paper low-pitched gable roof, old, in poor condition. 50X1 usually stood empty and only during the jet-aircraft mechanic course were students billeted there.
2. Guard Shack, wooden; one civilian guard on duty guarding entrance and equipment of certain civilian construction firms which performed some work on the airfield.

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3. Storage for guard shack, Point 2, Encl. 2, wooden, contents 50X1

4. Storage for guard shack, Point 2, Encl. 2, open on sides.

5. Field Road which led from highway, Point 33, to taxi strip, Point 11; three meters wide, dirt.

6. Canteen for civilian construction firm, wooden.

7. Hangar, new 80 x 35 x 15 m., same type and construction as hangars at Line (Dobrany) Airfield; see Point 38, RC-2151.

8. Apron, concrete blocks, in front of hangars, 160 m. long, 25 m. wide, 50X1

9. Hangar, old, brick, half-round roof, 60 x 30 x 15 m. 50X1

10. Runway, concrete blocks, about 1,800 - 2,000 m. long, 60 m. wide, well kept, drainage along lengths of the runway was similar to that at Line airfield; refer to Point 4, RC-2151.

11. Taxi Strip, made of concrete blocks, about 200 m. long, 30 m. wide.

12. Shack, wooden, 8 x 6 x 3.5 m.; alert crew waited there for further flying instructions.

13. Barrack, similar type and construction as barrack, Point 1; 50X1

14. Taxi Strip, concrete blocks, 25 m. wide, same length as runway, Point 10.

15. Dog-Training-Course Area, 70 x 20 m. area, rrounded by mesh wire fence; airfield's watch dogs were trained there.

16. Building, wooden, 80 x 15 x 3.5 m., contained various offices of the 2nd Air Div.

17. Workshops and storage, brick, 100 x 20 x 5 m.; contents unknown 50X1

18. Taxi Strip, concrete blocks, 15 m. wide, connected taxi strip Point 14 with hangars, Points 19 and 21.

19. Hangar, similar type and construction as hangar Point 7.

20. Apron, concrete blocks, "L"-shape, 25 m. wide.

21. Hangar, same type and constructional details as hangar Point 7.

22. Entrance with guard house where three military guards equipped with machine guns guarded the entrance 24 hours a day. Guards wore regular Czechoslovak air-force uniforms.

23. Billets, wooden, 80 x 15 x 4.5 m.; some troops were billeted there. 50X1

24. Billets, similar to billets, Point 23.

25. Barrack, wooden, "L"-shape,

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26. Pig Farm, where 25 pigs were raised annually for meat for troops' messes.

27. Billets, similar to billets, Point 23.

28. Building, "U"-shape, wooden, [redacted] 50X1

29. Building, containing kitchen and messhall with L, LR, and CH diets (for types of diets refer to Point 72, RC-2151). Building was wooden, "T"-shape, single story, dimensions 50X1 [redacted]

30. Messhall, brick, single-story, [redacted] mess hall had a "CH" diet which was only for draftees. 50X1

31. Building, wooden, "L"-shape, [redacted]

32. Fence, mesh with barbed wire on top, 2.20 m. high, surrounded airfield's buildings.

33. Highway, same as Point 2, Encl. 1, this report.

34. Building, similar type and constructional details as building, Point 28.

35. Building, similar type and constructional details as building, Point 28.

36. Building, wooden, single-story, 25 x 12 x 3.5 m.; troops were billeted there. 50X1

37. Food Storage, brick, single-story, [redacted] 50X1

38. Gymnasium, wooden, single-story, dimensions and type of roof 50X1 [redacted]

39. Billets, wooden, called "Svobodarna", dimensions and further 50X1 [redacted], housed career air-force personnel.

40. Aid Station, wooden, single-story.

41. Barrack, wooden, single-story.

42. Stockade of 2nd Air Div., brick, single-story.

43. Entrance, guarded 24 hours a day by military guards armed with machine guns.

44. Guard Shack at the airfield's entrance, brick, single-story.

45. Canteen called "Arma" [redacted], brick, single-story. 50X1

46. Building, wooden, single-story, barber shop located there.

47. Garages, brick, [redacted]. 50X1

48. Garages, open at sides.

49. Building, single-story; some troops billeted there.

50. Building, brick, single-story, contained various classrooms. One room contained disassembled aircraft engine which was displayed for demonstration and study purposes.

51. Billets, wooden, single-story.

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52. Billets, similar to billets, Point 51.

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III. AIRFIELD INFORMATION:

1. Basic Airfield Information:

a. Name of airfield was Ceske Budejovice.

b. Airfield had n[redacted] 50X1

c. Country: Czechoslovakia.

d. Coordinates: N 48-57, E 14-26

2. Location:

a. Airfield was about four kilometers southeast from center of Ceske Budejovice and less than 500 m. north of Plana /N 48-56, E 14-257 (approximate).

b. Airfield was about one kilometer west of highway, Point 2. Encl. 1, this report.

3. Dimensions:

a. Airfield measured about four kilometers east to west and 1.5 km. north to south; extensibility was possible to west.

b. Airfield was "L"-shaped.

4. Sketches:

a. Enclosure 1, Overlay on GSGS 4416, Sheet V-9, Ceske Budejovice, Scale 1:100,000.

b. Enclosure 2, Memory Sketch of Military Airfield in Ceske Budejovice.

5. Runways and Surface:

a. Runway - Refer to Point 10, Encl. 2, this report.

b. Aprons - Refer to Points 8 and 20 Encl. 2.
Taxi strips - Refer to Points 11, 14, and 18. There were no perimeter tracks on the airfield.

c. The airfield had a moderately rising terrain from highway, Point 33, to taxi strip, Point 11, and then a moderate slope to the middle of the runway, and again rising to the west. Also rising terrain on north of highway, Point 33.

d. Drainage - Refer to Point 10, Encl. 2.

e. Altitude: about 400 m. above sea level.

6. Aircraft Dispersal Points:

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a. Hardstands - [redacted]

b. There were no revetments on the airfield.

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7. Construction and Improvement:

[redacted] winter months and did not observe any new constructions or improvements in progress.

8. Obstructions:

a. Hills were about seven kilometers south and west from the airfield.

b. Power lines led along the highway, Point 2, Encl. 1, this report.

c. Trees - Refer to Point 3, Encl. 1, this report.

d. There were no chimneys in the vicinity of the airfield.

e. [redacted] other than those on the airfield.

9. Technical Facilities:

a. & b. [redacted] on radio and telephone.

c. Weat[redacted] somewhere west of the hangar, Point 9, but [redacted]

d. Electricity was installed in all buildings; however, source of [redacted]

e. [redacted] on signaling devices or landing aids.

f. Aircraft capacity: [redacted] 2nd Air Div. in Ceske Budejovice had a larger number of aircraft than the 3rd Air Div. in Line because the 2nd Air Div. was formed earlier. For number and type of aircraft in Line refer to [redacted]. [redacted] same type of aircraft, number unknown, at Ceske Budejovice as at Line airfield. [redacted]

g. No information on repair facilities.

10. Supply:

a. [redacted] no information on fuel.

b. Water hydrants were located throughout the airfield.

c. [redacted] no information on weapons, ammunition, and equipment.

11. Buildings:

a. Hangars - Refer to Points 7, 9, 19, and 21. [redacted] more hangars north of the taxi strip, Point 14, Encl. 2, but could offer no information as to their exact location and description.

b. Workshop - Refer to Point 17, Encl. 2.

c. [redacted]

d. Billets - Refer to Points 23, 24, 27, 34, 35, 36, 39, 41, 49, 51, 52, 53.

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e. Administration Building - Refer to Point 16.

50X1 f. [redacted] on the airfield.

g. Aid station - Refer to Point 40.

h. Storage places - Refer to Point 17.

12. Transportation facilities - Highway, Point 2, Encl. 1, led along the airfield.

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13. Administration and Personnel.

a. Military authority was in charge of the airfield, [redacted] did not remember names of any responsible individuals.

b. Personnel strength - Source estimated 1,500 officers and enlisted men.

c. Uniforms - regular Czechoslovak Air Force without any special insignia for troop identification.

50X1 d. [redacted] flying activity.

50X1 e. [redacted] He attended a jet-aircraft mechanic course on the airfield.

14. Meteorological Factors - All-year-round flying was possible.

15. Defense Installation and Practices:

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50X1 a. This airfield had similar antiaircraft gun positions as the Line airfield (Refer to Point 2, [redacted] however, [redacted] did not remember their location [redacted] of gun positions.

b. Warning devices - [redacted]

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c. Camouflage - all the buildings were painted green.

d. Air-raid shelters - [redacted]

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16. Aircraft - Refer to paragraph III-9-f, this report.

50X1 17. Miscellaneous - [redacted]

Enclosures

1. Overlay on GSGS 4416, Scale 1:100,000, Sheet V-9, České Budejovice

2. Memory Sketch of Military Airfield in České Budejovice

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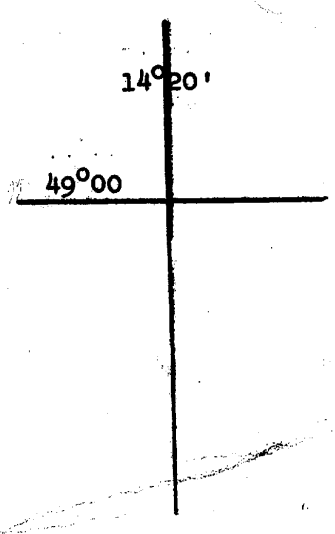

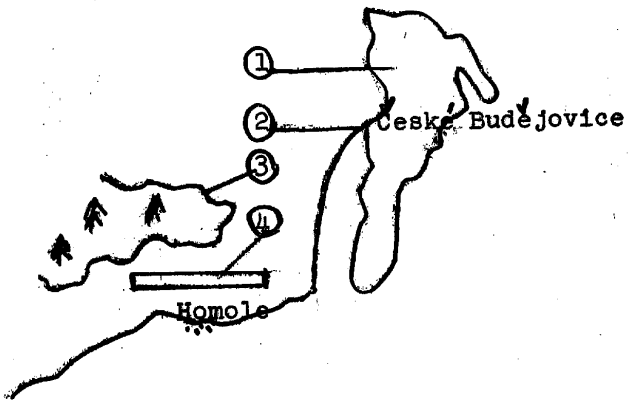

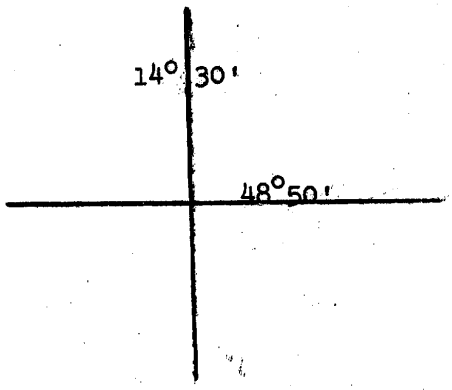

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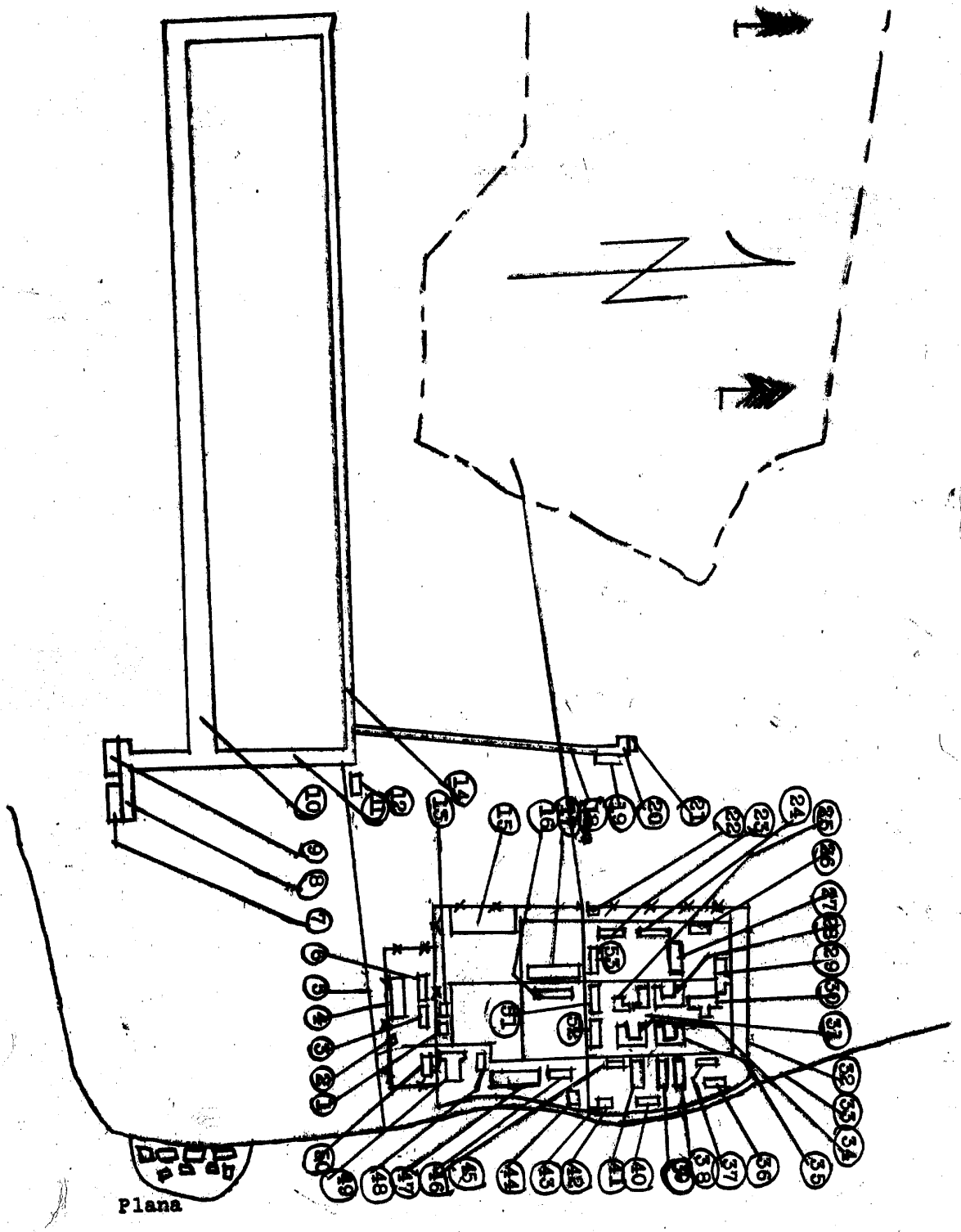
Encl. # 2 Memory Sketch of Military Airfield in České Budějovice



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